



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 883

January Session, 2017

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**AN ACT REDEFINING MAMMOGRAM AND LIMITING COST-SHARING
FOR MAMMOGRAMS, BREAST ULTRASOUNDS AND MAGNETIC
RESONANCE IMAGING OF BREASTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 38a-503 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2018*):

3 (a) For purposes of this section:

4 (1) "Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System" or "HCPCS"
5 means the billing codes used by Medicare and overseen by the federal
6 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that are based on the
7 current procedural technology codes developed by the American
8 Medical Association; and

9 (2) "Mammogram" means mammographic examination or breast
10 tomosynthesis including, but not limited to, a procedure with a
11 HCPCS code of 77051, 77052, 77055, 77056, 77057, 77063, G0202, G0204,
12 G0206 or G0279, or any subsequent corresponding code.

13 [(a)] (b) (1) Each individual health insurance policy providing
14 coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11) and
15 (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed,
16 amended or continued in this state shall provide benefits for

17 [mammographic examinations] mammograms to any woman covered
18 under the policy that are at least equal to the following minimum
19 requirements: (A) A baseline mammogram, which may be provided by
20 breast tomosynthesis at the option of the woman covered under the
21 policy, for any woman who is thirty-five to thirty-nine years of age,
22 inclusive; and (B) a mammogram, which may be provided by breast
23 tomosynthesis at the option of the woman covered under the policy,
24 every year for any woman who is forty years of age or older.

25 (2) Such policy shall provide additional benefits for:

26 (A) Comprehensive ultrasound screening of an entire breast or
27 breasts if a mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast
28 tissue based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System
29 established by the American College of Radiology or if a woman is
30 believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to family history
31 or prior personal history of breast cancer, positive genetic testing or
32 other indications as determined by a woman's physician or advanced
33 practice registered nurse; and

34 (B) Magnetic resonance imaging of an entire breast or breasts in
35 accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer
36 Society.

37 [(b)] (c) Benefits under this section shall be subject to any policy
38 provisions that apply to other services covered by such policy, except
39 that no such policy shall impose: [a] (1) A copayment that exceeds [a
40 maximum of] twenty dollars for an ultrasound screening under
41 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection [(a)] (b) of this
42 section; (2) a copayment that exceeds twenty dollars for magnetic
43 resonance imaging under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of
44 subsection (b) of this section; or (3) any coinsurance, copayment,
45 deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for a mammogram under
46 subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section.

47 [(c)] (d) Each mammography report provided to a patient shall

48 include information about breast density, based on the Breast Imaging
49 Reporting and Data System established by the American College of
50 Radiology. Where applicable, such report shall include the following
51 notice: "If your mammogram demonstrates that you have dense breast
52 tissue, which could hide small abnormalities, you might benefit from
53 supplementary screening tests, which can include a breast ultrasound
54 screening or a breast MRI examination, or both, depending on your
55 individual risk factors. A report of your mammography results, which
56 contains information about your breast density, has been sent to your
57 physician's office and you should contact your physician if you have
58 any questions or concerns about this report."

59 Sec. 2. Section 38a-530 of the general statutes is repealed and the
60 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2018*):

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63 means the billing codes used by Medicare and overseen by the federal
64 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that are based on the
65 current procedural technology codes developed by the American
66 Medical Association; and

67 (2) "Mammogram" means mammographic examination or breast
68 tomosynthesis including, but not limited to, a procedure with a
69 HCPCS code of 77051, 77052, 77055, 77056, 77057, 77063, G0202, G0204,
70 G0206 or G0279, or any subsequent corresponding code.

71 [(a)] (b) (1) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage
72 of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section
73 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued
74 in this state shall provide benefits for [mammographic examinations]
75 mammograms to any woman covered under the policy that are at least
76 equal to the following minimum requirements: (A) A baseline
77 mammogram, which may be provided by breast tomosynthesis at the
78 option of the woman covered under the policy, for any woman who is

79 thirty-five to thirty-nine years of age, inclusive; and (B) a
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101 resonance imaging under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of
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112 screening or a breast MRI examination, or both, depending on your
113 individual risk factors. A report of your mammography results, which
114 contains information about your breast density, has been sent to your
115 physician's office and you should contact your physician if you have
116 any questions or concerns about this report."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2018</i>	38a-503
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2018</i>	38a-530

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